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Title: Method and Apparatus for Use of Associated Memory With Large Key Spaces

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This amendment is being filed in connection with a Request for Continued Prosecution of application no. 09/227,688 filed January 8, 1999. Please amend the above-identified application prior to calculation of filing fees and examination as follows:

In the Specification

Please amend the title to read as follows: -- Methods and Apparatus for Routing Message Packets in Communications Networks -- .

In the Claims

Please cancel Claim 1.

Please insert the following new claims:

-- 19. A communication system of interconnected networks, the system comprising:

two or more networks interconnected by at least one message handling node for routing data packets; and at least one mobile receiver;

wherein, each of the data packets includes a logical destination code for identifying the receiver independently of a physical media address in each of the data packets, the logical destination code uniquely identifying the mobile receiver to each of the networks and remaining fixed as the mobile receiver changes the network; and

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